ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A source-voltage-operated circuit having: an electric power source; an operated circuit section operated according to a voltage supplied by the electric power source; a control-voltage-supplying circuit section for deriving a voltage higher than the voltage supplied by the electric power source from the operated circuit section to rectify the derived voltage and output the resultant voltage as an operating voltage; and a control circuit section operated according to the operating voltage for controlling the operation of the operated circuit section and stopping the operation of the operated circuit section when the operating voltage is decreased to a given reset voltage or below.